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**Today: President Bonnie Yeung  
District Seminars and Club Service Projects**

**Last Meeting: Four Clans Meeting  
Professor Bernadette Tsui on Circle of Life**



**Members Present:**

President Bonnie Yeung	PP Leo Yu	Rtn Jason Chiu
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PP Bernard Lee	PE Lawrence Lui	

**District Officers:**

District Governor Elect	Cassy Cheng
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**Club Presidents:**

Bonnie Yeung	Hong Kong Island East
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**Guests:**

President Sam Yuen of Star Avenue, Guest of President Bonnie Yeung  
PP Vikky Tam of Tai Po and Miss Grace Chen, Guest of PP Ricky Chan of Hong Kong Harbour  
Mrs. Pat Chu, Spouse of PP Antonio Chu of Hong Kong Harbour

President Bonnie introduced the Four Clans Clubs and their Presidents. Each Club took turns on their club reports, followed by a short address by DGE Cassy Cheng. We celebrated birthday boys and girls for November and December: PP Antonio Chu, CP Lawrence Lam, President Sam Yuen, President Anny Yip and President Bonnie Yeung.

CP Patrick Poon of Hong Kong Harbour introduced our speaker, Professor Bernadette Tsui.

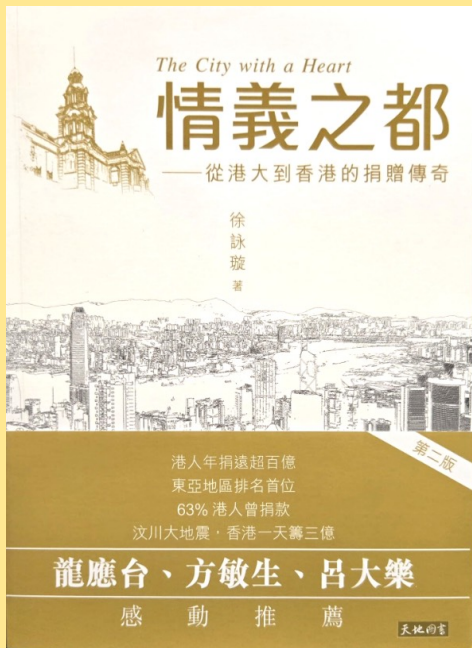
Professor Tsui is currently teaching a graduate Social Sciences course in Non-profit Management at the University of Hong Kong. She focuses on philanthropy and public engagement, where she believes that every NGO should have a pulse in the society. CP Patrick Poon had been a frequent guest speaker in her classes and had shared his experience.

She is through and through a HKU stalwart, recognised for her alumni and advancement work in the last 40 years which sustained the university as one of the leading centres of learning and research in the world.

Professor Tsui shared her journey as a Rotary Fellow sponsored by our Club in 1984-85. During her interview for the fellowship in 1983, she remembered being asked whether she would return to Hong Kong after her studies. Though there were no binding agreement, she chose to return, and had contributed much to Hong Kong.

She shared her photo collection with us, including her visit to our Club many years ago.



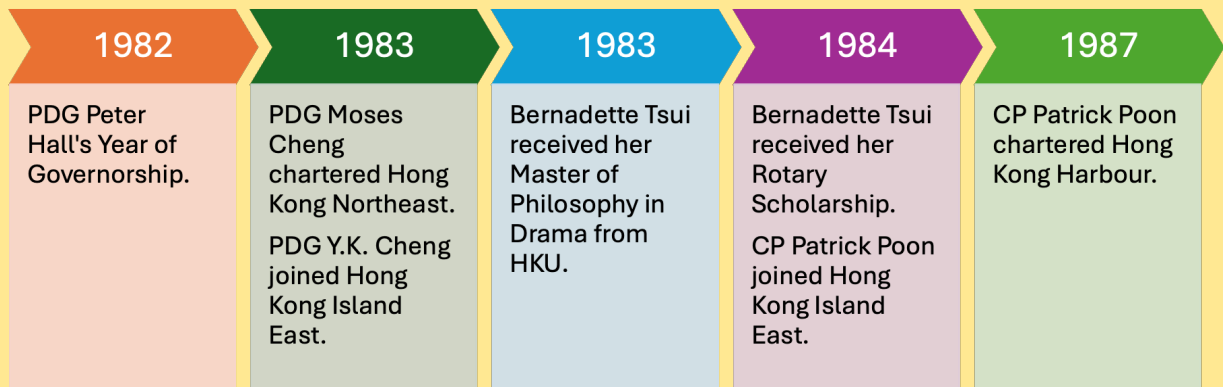


Fast forward to the present day, besides her tenure at HKU, she is involved in writing, publications and filmmaking.

One of her proud publications is the book “The City with a Heart”. She felt that Hong Kong, like Rotary, seldom hesitate to donate to those in need. The book describes over a hundred cases where Hong Kong citizens rose to the occasion.

The topic of her sharing, ‘Circle of Life’, is about contribution and giving, and that good deeds are blessed by good returns.

Presidents of each club presented their flags to Bernadette, and PP Antonio Chu gave the vote of thanks.



- The Rotary fellowship, later re-named scholarship, was from donations by Rotarians to the Rotary Foundation.
- Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East was host club which appointed a member as host counsellor to prepare Bernadette for outbound ambassadorial duties.
- Bernadette was interviewed by late PDG Peter Hall and PDG Moses Cheng and a few others at Hong Kong Island East as part of the award procedure.
- Bernadette met Mabel Cheung Yuen Ting during her flight to New York 40 years ago. She is now helping Mabel filmmake her latest film.



1984

One of Bernadette's early achievements was her participation in organizing the 1991 Hong Kong Abilympics under the leadership of Sir Harry Fang of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong. District 3450 was an active sponsor. The organizing committee included Chair Dr. George Koo of Hong Kong, PDG Y.K. Cheng of Hong Kong Island East, and Honorary Secretary & Honorary Treasurer Andrew Ma of Hong Kong Island West.

A memorable event during the Games was the successful attempt to break the dragon dancing world record in the Guinness Book of World Records. More than 1,500 people from eighty countries attended the Abilympics Games in Hong Kong that year. The successful Dragon Dance, which was 3,000 feet long, drew significant attention.

# Rotary

「How can you assure us you will come back to Hong Kong?」緣份源於一九八三。在銅鑼灣 Excelsior 酒店・Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East 獎學金面試，在港大念完戲劇學士碩士廿來歲的我大言不慚，要去紐約大學深造，要以演藝戲劇改變世界！

那年，中英談判令全香港神經繃緊，天會不會塌下來？被迫要認真考量，為什麼去了外國還要回來？

結果反而是幾位負責面試的 Rotarians 在爭議：你怎能就要求她一定回來？怎保證？她不回來你難道法律追究？（前設是這個獎學金是為香港培育人才……）

當年的 PDG Peter Tai 是顯赫人物，鄭慕智，鄭恩基，潘樂昌等還是新晉……結果我要說：「我男朋友在香港」。

香港飛紐約的航機上，旁邊是興致高昂也去 NYU 念電影的張婉婷和羅啟銳，十幾小時後大家成了好朋友，一抵步大夥兒去喝 Pina Colada。八四年，的士罷駛彌敦道大亂，港幣貶值金融危機人心惶惶，媽媽在長途電話哭著叫我不要回來……

一年後，我回到香港。《信報》編輯趙來發抓着我寫專欄，跟着我也膽粗粗一往無前的籌辦了香港第一屆展能藝術節。幾年後協助 Rotarian 方心讓教授搞第三屆國際展能節，幾百位扶輪社友與傷殘人士輪椅朋友一起「千人舞龍」刷新健力士世界紀錄，當晚 TVB 直播，滂沱大雨下大家豪情壯烈的頂住，成龍領唱，葉蒨文張學友助興。過後我入了香港大學，負責拓展和募款三十年至協理副校長，寫了《情義之都》一書剖析香港慈善事業的使命。

今天，當客席教授，繼續寫《信報》專欄，也擔任城規會醫管局等公職。我認定電影是香港重要的文化命脈，所以膽粗粗協助張婉婷籌組新戲捕捉香港情懷。世界兜了一個圈，回到起點。

感恩獲邀到港島東扶輪社「4 Clans Joint Meeting」晚宴演講。Rotary 會徽是推進文明服務社會的巨輪，我正好提供小小 Circle of Life 故事。



徐詠璇  
琉璃火  
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Article by Bernadette Tsui in the Hong Kong Economic Journal on 3 December 2024  
on her visit to our Four Clans Meeting

The Rotary Scholarships program offers a range of opportunities for students and professionals to pursue higher education in fields related to peace and development. These scholarships are designed to support both local and international study, providing recipients with the skills and knowledge needed to become effective catalysts for peace. The program includes both district grants and global grants, with funding available for secondary school, undergraduate, and graduate studies.

In Hong Kong, the Rotary Scholarships program has already made a significant impact on the community. By supporting local students and professionals, the program helps to cultivate a new generation of leaders who are committed to promoting peace and development both locally and globally. The scholarships also provide opportunities for cultural exchange and international networking, allowing recipients to build connections with peers from around the world.

## Happy Birthday to our Splendid December Birthday Members



**2nd** - PP Desmond Cheung, **8th** - President Bonnie Yeung, **12th** - PP Hubert Chan, **16th** - Rtn Benson Ng, **18th** - Rtn Andrew Lai, **20th** - PP Henry Chan, Rtn Ping Kwan, **26th** - PP Leo Yu, **31st** - Rtn Lawrence Lui

### Intercity Meeting on 18 November 2024

RI President Stephanie A. Urchick visited District 3450 during the period from 16 to 24 November 2024.

A unique honour for District 3450 indeed, as Nigel Lo had expressed in his welcome remarks, considering that there are some 520 Districts in RI, and only 52 weeks in a year.

An inter city dinner meeting in her honour was held on Monday 18 November 2024 at the Kowloon Shangri-la Ballroom for President Stephanie to meet with the 3450 family.

Some 220 Rotarians, spouse and friends attended. It was a convivial and fun evening accompanied by excellent jazz music enjoyed by all.

President Stephanie inspired us with her presentation on the RI Action Plan, the key to a vibrant future. She is one of the original architects of this initiative. She stressed that the Action Plan & its 4 priorities are a roadmap for both RI & The Rotary Foundation. Every club will implement the Action Plan differently, in full consideration of what works best, and what is needed, in the club, and for its community and region.

PDG Y. K. Cheng gave the vote of thanks.

Our PP Leo Yu chaired the organising committee whose members consisted of PP Stacy Ho.

The opportunity was also taken to recognise membership growth and retention, and contribution to the Rotary Foundation.



**Club postal address** : P.O.Box 47064, Morrison Hill Post Office, Hong Kong  
**Meeting Venue** : Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong  
**Meeting Schedules** : Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm  
**Website** : <http://hk.ie.rotary3450.org/>